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Toxic & Hazardous Waste
Management Branch

Subject: Technical Review Committee (TRC) relating to
Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) for Former
Lake Ontario Ordnance Works, Lewiston/Porter, New York

Mr. Ted Gable
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Dear Mr. Gable:

Reference is made to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) which describe the responsibilities of the Department of Defense (DOD) relating to implementation of the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP). The law specifically requires the DOD to establish a TRC for environmental restoration projects "whenever possible and practical."

As you know, the Corps of Engineers is currently conducting a RI/FS at the former Lake Ontario Ordnance Works. Though all of our project related activities to date have been coordinated with your agency and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), we believe it is appropriate to establish a TRC for the project. An important purpose of the TRC would be to review and comment on the proposed actions resulting from the RI/FS. The committee would include representatives from the Corps of Engineers, EPA, DEC, and the local community.

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I am writing to request that an individual from EPA Region II be designated to serve as a member of the TRC. Because our goal is to establish the TRC by November 1, 1988, We would appreciate receiving the name of your designee at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions or desire further information, please contact Mr. Lee Fuerst of my staff at (816) 426-2604. Thank you for your assistance in helping us formulate the technical review committee.

Sincerely,

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